

**Colorado NRCS FY2025 Local Working Group Task Guide**  
**Olney Boone Conservation District**

1. Do you see **barriers** to agricultural producers or landowners implementing conservation projects in your area?
  - The main barrier is financial, lack of funding.
  - The long term drought is a huge hindrance.
2. Do you or can you **offer trainings or demonstration projects** for other producers, landowners, and/or conservation partners? What would these trainings look like?

Possible topics for training/demonstrations could be

  - Rotational grazing plans
  - Carrying capacity of acres per cow
3. **How do you receive information** for conservation project opportunities (new technology, funding opportunities, requests for feedback)?

Our best method of communicating with producers is post card mailings.
4. What is your **district's greatest conservation success story?** (can you share photos, maps, quotes, why it was so successful)
  - CRP has protected highly erodible crop land by planting permanent vegetation/native grass.
  - OBCD has maintained a grassland base in the area mostly through the matching grants funds which incentives the grassland cover.
5. What **conservation practices are producers in your district adopting** (either through NRCS or on own). Which ones would producers **recommend to others?** Which conservation practices are not recommended in you district?
  - Wells
  - Fencing
  - Solar Pumps
6. What strategies can help NRCS **reach out to new customers or producers?**

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8. What is NRCS Colorado doing well in **Conservation Delivery**? What can be improved?

- The technical services are hard to beat.
- Need to emphasize the difference between conservationist and environmentalists.
- In many ways CRP killed growth. After 40 years of collecting a check, we lost two generations of possible producers.